

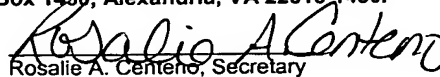


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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- 1)       US 3,930,436
- 2)       US 6,039,334
- 3)       GB 2,328,191
- 4)       DE 41 30 989

References 1 – 3 are all in the English language and therefore need no further discussion as to their relevance. In accordance with United States Patent and Trademark practice, it is not necessary to enclose copies of the U.S. Patents.

Reference 4, discloses a power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering, which is intended

in particular for heavy motor vehicles, has two hydraulically separate steering circuits. Mounted for rotational motion in a housing is a pinion gear and mounted for translational motion in the same housing is a rack. The rack meshes with the pinion. Each of the two steering circuits includes a piston-and-cylinder unit, the two units being connected to each other mechanically and disposed parallel to each other. The cylinder of the first piston-and-cylinder unit forms an extension to the housing, and the housing together with the first piston-and-cylinder unit and a cylindrical shoulder project into a main housing. The cylinder of the second piston-and-cylinder unit is fitted in the main housing. The piston rods of the two piston-and-cylinder units are connected to each other by a yoke.

Copies of the listed documents are submitted herewith, with the exception of any US documents, along with the form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that any fees required and not enclosed herewith or any shortages in any fees be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



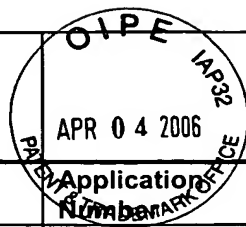
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